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From

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To

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Hon: Secretary to the Board of Trustees
of Narimallappa's High School, M y s o r e.

Sir,

I have the honour to invite your attention to section 2, Chapter II of the Mysore Educational Rules headed "Politics". It is too well known that the present Head Master of Narimallappa's School loses no opportunity of taking a leading part in public agitations of all kinds calculated to bring the duly constituted authorities of both the British and Mysore Governments into contempt, and to excite feelings of hatred in the minds of ignorant and half educated people and especially of the raw & uneducated youth of the country towards these Governments. His example which has drawn a large number of school boys into agitations of this kind has had a disastrous effect directly and indirectly upon their character. Government cannot but view with feelings of the strongest disapproval, the fact that the Head Master is so oblivious of his high duties and responsibilities in moulding the character of the youth entrusted to his care as to implant in their minds by his example, public utterances and acts, disrespect for authority of all kinds. His intimate connection with a journal as editor, regular contributor, Manager or part proprietor is too well known to require proof or to bear contradiction. The influence of that paper which is characterised by absence of the ordinary principles of fairness, moderation or good sense and which aims at bringing every

every authority, however high, in the state or country into contempt must be fatal to the proper upbringing of the pupils of his school.

2. I have also to point out that section 3, chapter II of the Educational Rules lays down that no teacher employed in a public institution shall take up private work of any kind, much less be intimately connected with a paper of the kind referred to in the last para, for which he maintains a Press in his own dwelling house. The duties of Head-Master of a High School are so onerous that no Head Master, however able can afford to give any portion of his time and attention seriously to objects unconnected with his legitimate duties.

3. I shall be glad to know at an early date what steps the Board intends to take to remedy the present state of things which should not be permitted to continue any ~~xxxxxx~~ longer. Mari Mallappa's school requires at its head a highly qualified Head Master who should not only be able to manage a large High School but also should be fitted by his high sense of duty and example to mould the character of youth and teach them to grow up ~~xxxxx~~ useful, modest and loyal citizens. Unless the school is placed under such a Head Master Government may feel called upon to withdraw the monthly grant of Rs. 150/- from State Funds and also to require the Mysore Municipality to withdraw its monthly grant of Rs. 100/-. I request that the Board will be so good as to submit in future its choice of Head Master for approval to the Department. The continuance of the grants will be subject in future to the condition that Government should be satisfied not only as to the capability of the staff to teach the several subjects allotted to them but also as to their fitness to exercise a healthy moral influence on the minds and character of their pupils.

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Sd/ H.J. Bhabha.

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Maintained in the file of Marimallappa's Charities.